~~for these ~~blessed~~ precious tidings & blest be you, that bring them!~~
Joseph & Gracie embraced with tears of ~~joy~~ gratitude, & then astounded me by embracing me too. In an instant misery was gone & tumultuous happiness had taken its place. I turned upon old Marlow & said —

"There, sir, is the door, be gone! You will be paid, never fear. And if you should want to borrow any money," I said, with bitter sarcasm, "do not hesitate

to say so, for we can ~~borrow~~ procure all we want, with our present business prospects."

He went away raging, & we ~~sat &~~ went gaily to work dusting stock ~~coffins & shrouds~~ & getting ready for the most ~~princely~~ lucrative day's work ~~the~~ our little shop had ever known.

Little remains to be told. Our prosperity moved straight along without a halt. Everything seemed to conspire to help us. As